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Sir:

Applicants appreciate the allowance from the examiner, which is due to the broad descriptive and enabling qualities of the instant application and the absence of pertinent teachings and suggestions in the prior art, as well as differences with other technologies (see Slide 6 of the Braithwaite declaration, and forms PTO/SB/08A filed September 19, 2008 and herewith). Patentability is established and substantiated by the claim language, the arguments of record, the declarations of Drs. Braithwaite and Spiegelberg and attachments thereto, and the limitations of the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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